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## WEATHER REPORT.

Fair, colder tonight; temperature about 18 degrees, Friday fair.

Sun and Tide Table.  
High Tide 1.45 a.m. and 2.15 p.m. Sun rises 6.30 a.m. and sets 4.57 p.m.

## ROYAL FAMILY TO LEAVE PEKIN.

Manchu Princes in Panic—Rebels Said to be Preparing to Move on Capital.

### HASTY MEETING OF PRINCESS.

Believed Royal Family Will Abandon at Once—Premier Yuan Shi Kai Threatens to Resign.

London, Dec. 28.—The empress dowager and the Manchu princes have notified Yuan Shi Kai that they will abide by any decision made by the proposed national conference to decide upon the form of China's future government, according to a dispatch late today from Peking.

London, Dec. 28.—Members of the royal family of China decided to flee from Peking today following a conference that lasted for several hours, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tien Tsin.

The Manchu princes are in a panic. None of them believe that Yuan Shi Kai will be able to prevent a republic. A report was heard in Peking today according to the dispatch, that the rebels were preparing to move upon the capital as soon as the armistice expires. Fear of a slaughter of Manchus is said to have brought about the decision to flee from Peking.

Nankin, Dec. 28.—A special dispatch from Shanghai today states that 8,000 rebel troops left here today for Nankin. This is taken to indicate that revolutionary leaders have abandoned hope of reaching any settlement with the imperial government. A movement against Peking is expected at the expiration of the armistice.

Shanghai, Dec. 28.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai today informed the royal family that unless it consented to the proposed National Convention to decide upon the future government of China, he would resign from office. A hasty meeting of the Manchu princes was called at the palace, and the bitterest discussions arose. The majority of the royal family was in favor of accepting Yuan's plan, but the younger noblemen bitterly denounced the premier as a traitor to the throne.

It is believed here that the royal family will abdicate at once. Yuan Shi Kai informed Tang Shao Wi, his representative in the peace conference, to consult with Dr. Wu Ting Fang regarding a suspension of hostilities until a national convention could be held. Dr. Wu is not enthusiastic over the convention plan, as he believes it will cause so much delay that the country would drift into anarchy, and foreign intervention may result. Some of the revolutionists have advised him, however, to agree to a convention, insisting that there is no chance of the rebels voting against a republic.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Without official advice on the world rumor that a partition of China had been decided upon by the powers, the State Department was today inclined to believe that the report had been set in circulation by the imperial government itself. It was pointed out by officials that fear of partition would be the one thing which the Chinese people might unite to repel, and possibly the Manchu dynasty had hit upon this plan to attempt a reconciliation of the warring factions.

### Schooner Ashore.

New London, Conn., Dec. 28.—The four-masted schooner Mary Randall, Newport News to New London with coal, went ashore in a fog early today on the north side of Island and is now in a serious position. Life savers rescued the crew of eight men.

### Golden City Again in Flames.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—Word has just arrived that Golden City, in the Percipue Camp, which was destroyed by fire last July, during a series of forest fires is again in flames. Half of the business section has been burned and fire is still raging.

Constipation is the cause of many ailments and disorders that make life miserable. Take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, keep your bowels regular and you will avoid these diseases. For sale by W. F. Cfeighon and Richard Gibson.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

Policeman William Ahern and John Flynn were searching a house in Fay street, Buffalo, N. Y., early yesterday for Paul Lutz, suspected of having committed a murderous assault upon a woman, when an explosion wrecked the building and hurled the officers into the street. Ahern was badly burned and bruised, but Flynn escaped with a few bruises. The officers were preparing to break in his door, when the explosion occurred. A search of the ruined building revealed the body of Lutz in the debris.

Joseph Huyck, a steeplejack, of Deposit, N. Y., fell from the roof of St. Ignatius' Church, Kingston, near Wilkes-Barre, Pa., yesterday and was so badly injured that he died in a hospital shortly afterward. Huyck was engaged to make repairs to the steeple. He started work shortly before noon and a crowd gathered to see him climb the tower. He went to the roof of the church and from there started his ascent by means of a small ladder. He was part way up the ladder when it snapped and he was plunged to the ground below, a distance of nearly 100 feet. Huyck landed squarely on a concrete walk and nearly every bone in his body was broken.

Guided by an ancient chart found in the ruins of a Spanish shellhouse on Fort George Island, two boys of Jacksonville, Fla., say they have unearthed Spanish treasure worth about \$150,000. They say the gold, silver and copper coins were found in a strong box buried about 6 feet deep. Those who have seen the coins say they bear dates of more than a century ago.

When Charles Richard was sentenced to life imprisonment at Belvidere, Ill., yesterday for the murder of his wife, he implored the court to make the sentence death, instead. He pleaded guilty and told the judge his sentence should have been the heaviest possible under the law.

The state failed in New York yesterday in its effort to fix the blame for the fire horror of March 25, 1911, in which 147 employees of the Triangle Waist Company lost their lives. A verdict of "not guilty" was returned by the jury in the case of Isaac Harris and Max Blanck, proprietors of the factory, who were indicted in connection with the holocaust.

Miss Margaret Ailes, the young daughter of Milton E. Ailes, vice president of the Riggs National Bank, Washington, while operating her electric runabout at Columbia and Quarry roads yesterday afternoon, accidentally ran down, and fatally injured, Frank J. Fitzpatrick, 63 years old.

With a rifle, which was his Christmas gift, 10-year-old Harry Leowall yesterday in St. Louis, shot and instantly killed his mother, Mrs. Caesarina Leowall. Harry did not know the rifle was loaded.

Mongolia, which almost equals China proper in size, was proclaimed independent today, simultaneously with the cutting off from China of the vast dependency of Turkestan. Both will pass under Russian influence and will practically become Russian protectorates. Russia at any time will be able to annex them. A grand khan will be named as monarch of Mongolia. The construction of the trans-Mongolian railway, for which Russia has long sought permission from China, will now be only a matter of time. Russian influence will flank the Japanese sphere in Manchuria perilously, and a Japanese alliance for the sake of preserving Japanese interests may sooner or later be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley, two non-unionists whose employment originated the strike at Accrington, England, yesterday, reiterated their determination not to join the union, and as a result notices were posted at all of the mills belonging to members of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners in the north and northeast of the country of Lancashire that the mills would not reopen today, but would be closed indefinitely. This announcement throws 160,000 weavers out of work and reduces an equal number of spinners to half time. Had Riley and his wife consented to join the union the rupture would have been avoided. Every inducement was offered them to join the union.

Despondent, according to a note found yesterday, James Grant, prosperous farmer and merchant, near Benton, Ark., clubbed his wife, five children—ranging in age from 5 to 13 years—and stepson to death at his home, near Benton Tuesday night, and then hanged himself. The note explains that "owing to deep despair and that I see nothing for me or my children, who I believe would be better off in heaven, I commit this act."

Reading a paper on "Neolithic Man in British Columbia" before the Archaeological Institute of America at Pittsburgh, Pa., yesterday, Charles Hill-Tout, of Abbotsford, British Columbia, told of a skeleton recently found in that country which indicates that researches are no closer to a knowledge of where civilization began than they were 50 years ago, and that it cannot be claimed for Egypt that it is the cradle of civilization. Describing the skull of the skeleton, Mr. Hill-Tout said it belonged to a more than ordinary

## THE STRIKE OF COTTON SPINNERS

160,000 Idle and Equally as Many More to be Placed on Half Time.

### LOSS OF \$1,500,000 WEEKLY.

Woman Blames For Present Conditions—Latter Blames Unionism—Opposition to Closed Shop.

Manchester, Eng., Dec. 28.—Miss Margaret Bury, who refused to rejoin the Union, is being blamed today for the lockout in the cotton mills of this district which has thrown 160,000 people out of work. The weekly wage loss to the employees will be \$1,500,000.

Miss Bury announced today that she intended to stand her ground regardless of the attacks that were being made upon her. "The charges that I am responsible for the lockout are absurd," she said today. "The unionists are the real offenders. My fellow workers at the Helene Mills went on strike because our employers refused to discharge Thomas Riley and his wife who had refused to join the union. I do not believe in the closed shop idea and left the organization. Riley and his wife have since joined the union. I am told, and because I refuse to take a similar course the union workmen and women are blaming me. No amount of persecution will induce me to rejoin the ranks of organized labor. The fault is chiefly with the union and the members of the organization have no one to blame but their own leaders."

The strike at the Helene Mills in Accrington, where Miss Bury is employed, resulted in the decision of the other master cotton spinners in this district to enforce the open shop rule. In addition to the 160,000 people who have been locked out, a similar number will be placed on half time.

## DISASTROUS FIRE AT SPARROW'S POINT.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28.—Four large storehouses for patterns of the Maryland Steel Co. at Sparrow's Point were destroyed by fire early this morning. The damage will probably be very heavy as the buildings contained all the patterns of various castings made at the plant for the past fifteen years.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is the general opinion that a spark from a passing locomotive was carried into one of the buildings. The four buildings that were destroyed were 80 feet by 20 feet each. They were built of wood, covered with corrugated iron.

As soon as the blaze was discovered the fire whistle was started and quickly aroused the residents. The company has no fire company near Sparrow's Point and the town depends upon volunteers to protect it.

### Farley Leaves Rome.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Cardinal Farley and his suite left Rome for Naples at 10:45 o'clock this morning. Mr. Kennedy, head of the American College, and scores of church dignitaries, bade him farewell at the depot. The cardinal expressed himself as being delighted with his sojourn in the Eternal City.

### Weather Bulletin.

New York, Dec. 28.—The weather bureau today issued the following storm warning: "Continued northwest storm warning 11 a. m.—High west and northwest winds Thursday diminishing by Friday. Warnings continue east-port to Delaware Breakwater."

nary long-headed race. The skeleton he said, was not less than 20,000 years old, and until its discovery the investigations carried on by the institute had extended back only 5,000 years.

Acting under instructions issued by President Taft, a special board of inquiry, composed of officers of the medical corps, United States army, arrived at Atlanta, Ga., last night to make another examination of Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, confined in the army hospital at Fort McPherson. It was stated at Fort McPherson that a preliminary examination of Morse was made soon after their arrival, but nothing as to the nature of their findings was made public.

## MAYOR SIGNS ORDINANCE.

Yes Five Days to Consider. Action Expected by Corporation Attorney.

After taking the limit of time allotted by the law, Mayor Paff at noon today signed the annexation ordinance which was recently passed by both boards of city council, thus putting an end to a situation which threatened to block the move towards adding more territory to the city.

The mayor made the following statement to the Gazette in reference to the matter: "After due and careful consideration of the annexation ordinance I have concluded to attach my signature to the same, not that I approve of it in its entirety but in view of the fact that council has endorsed my recommendation of several years since in taking in some of the outlying districts. The needs and bounds do not entirely meet with my approval but as this is a matter of discretion with the court I feel that the proper boundaries can and will be fixed by that tribunal."

Now that the ordinance has become law, the next procedure will be to publish the same in the Gazette, after which Corporation Attorney S. P. Fisher will obtain certified copies to be sent to the Commonwealth's Attorneys and Boards of Supervisors of Alexandria and Fairfax counties. Then a notice will be inserted in the Gazette by the Corporation Attorney Fisher, directed to the officials named above, of his attention of making the proper motion in court for the transfer to the city of Alexandria of the territory mapped out.

## SECOND DIVIDEND ORDERED.

In the Corporation Court this afternoon an order was entered directing Howard W. Smith receiver of the International Building and Loan Association to pay a dividend of 10 per cent to the stockholders, of the defunct corporation. This will make the second dividend of ten per cent, the first having been paid a year ago. The dividend will require approximately \$20,000. The International was a Washington concern that failed several years ago. Very little stock was held in this city.

## BLIZZARD IN NORTHWEST.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The cold wave which settled over Chicago during the night shattered low records for this winter when the mercury dropped to five below zero.

The cold wave caused intense suffering among the poor and today the poor agent is swamped with appeals for fuel and provisions. The municipal lodging house sheltered 488 men, a record number for this season. Two deaths are credited to the cold wave.

The weather bureau promises warmer weather tonight.

### Train Derailed.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 28.—The biting blizzard sweeping Ohio last night and today narrowly missed claiming scores of lives last night when the Big Four Twentieth Century limited was wrecked at LeGrange, 35 miles out of Cleveland.

Railroadmen consider it remarkable that only about fifteen persons were injured when the tender and ten cars left the rails. Those injured were only bruised or cut by flying glass and resumed their journey.

The wrecked train runs between Cincinnati and Cleveland, where it connects with the Chicago New York Limited. While trying to make up time the front truck of the tender left the track, carrying the rest of the train with it. The smoker turned over into the ditch.

### Arrest of Alleged Swindler.

New York, Dec. 28.—J. Howard Ford, a clever swindler who made a number of Congressmen his dupes, was arrested today in Dover, England, and will be brought to New York to face charges of swindling, abduction and assault.

### Disastrous Wreck.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 28.—A wreck has occurred on the Buffalo, Lockport and Rochester Railroad about six miles west of this city. A call for help has been received and a relief car and all the available ambulances with surgeons have gone to the scene. No details are available.

### Decorated by King.

Rome, Dec. 28.—King Victor Emmanuel today decorated N. H. Fox, of Philadelphia, with the Order of the Crown of Italy. Fox is secretary of the American Pavilion at the Rome Exposition.

How did the little miss or baby enjoy the Buster Brown Shoes you bought at Marshall's? All right? That's what they all say.

## TRAIN WRECKED AT EARLY HOUR.

C. & O. Passenger Train, Meets With Disaster—Engineer Killed.

### ENGINE ROLLS DOWN A BANK.

Several Coaches Derailed and Passengers Severely Shaken Up—Cause of Accident Unknown.

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 28.—One man was killed, one fatally injured, and several passengers hurt, when the "fast flying Virginian" passenger train on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad was wrecked early today at McKendars, near here.

The engineer, William Dunn of Hinton, was instantly killed, and Percy Terrell, of Huntington, is dying. The engine left the track and rolled over the bank. Several coaches were derailed. The cause of the wreck was not determined.

McKendree, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Engineer W. J. Dunn of Hinton, was instantly killed, and Fireman L. P. Terrell of Huntington, was seriously when the Chesapeake and Ohio limited from Old Point Comfort to Cincinnati, struck an obstruction on the track, caused by a landslide. No passengers were injured.

## THE FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

Melilla, Morocco, Dec. 28.—Four hundred natives were killed today in a six-hour battle with Spanish troops. Thirty Spaniards were killed and ten wounded. The fighting was mostly at long range but the Spanish machine guns wrought terrible execution. The tribesmen were forced to retreat to their rendezvous fifteen miles from the scene of the battle.

### Business Section of City Burns.

Kingston, Mass., Dec. 28.—Aided by a sixty-mile gale flames today destroyed the business section of Kingston and spread to the residential section. The Plymouth Fire Department responded to a call for aid and succeeded in partly checking the flames. The fire was caused by the overturning of a lamp in a barber shop. The loss will be more than \$50,000.

### Della Fox's Conditions.

New York, Dec. 28.—The condition of Della Fox, the musical comedy star, who is dangerously ill here following an operation, was reported as a trifle improved today.

### Complaints Against Rates.

The Brunswick-Balke-Clender Co., Delaware manufacturers of billiard tables with headquarters in Chicago bitterly protested to the Interstate Commerce Commission today against "an unreasonable and exacting rule" now being enforced by railroads in the Western Classification which results in gross discrimination against manufacturers of billiard tables and other bulky articles, it is alleged. The rule is that articles too large to be loaded through the side doors of 36 foot box cars must pay freight charges at first class rates with no charge less than the first class rate of 5,000 pounds.

Billiard tables are too long and wide to be loaded into box cars by the side doors and though it is possible and the custom to load them through end doors the lower classification to which they naturally are entitled is not allowed under the side-door loading rule.

The company cites the action of the Southern, Illinois and official classification railroads in modifying this rule in conformity with past orders of the commission but states that the western classification "a self-created and elected committee" has not conformed though the commission has frequently ordered individual roads in the association to make reparation.

Uncle Sam's biggest lumbering proposition in recent years was offered to lumbermen today in advertisements for bids for the removal of nearly 73 million feet of saw timber from the Tabas National Forest, in California. Because of the magnitude of the lumbering scheme, the Forest Service departed from the usual rule of allowing five years for the removal of the timber, and in this case will allow ten years, with special provisions to protect the contractor and the public from timber speculators.

One touch of winter is a gentle reminder of our duty to our family. Have we visited Marshall's and prepared for worse that is to come.

## MORSE'S CONDITION INVESTIGATED.

Atlanta, Dec. 28.—A special conference of the army surgeons whom President Taft ordered to Fort McPherson to make a report on the condition of Charles W. Morse, the former banker, was held here today, following a similar gathering last night, which lasted until 2 o'clock this morning. The findings of the board will be kept secret.

Atlanta, Dec. 28.—After a lengthy consultation, members of the board announced that they had completed their examination of the patient and would submit a telegraphic report to President Taft at Washington, this afternoon. All information regarding the conclusions reached by the board was refused.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Aroused by a storm of publicity coming from Atlanta criticising the Administration for what is termed "its inhuman treatment" of Charles W. Morse, the convicted New York banker, the Department of Justice made clear its position in the Morse case and in the case of all other criminals seeking pardons, commutation of sentences, or paroles, as follows:

Morse is not the only sick convict in a Federal prison, nor the only one disgraced and confinement has broken down. Other wives than Morse's plead for the release of their husbands and often in vain. Last year 21 convicts died in Federal prisons, showing that though death in prison may add to the severity of a penalty, that the fact of approaching death is not regarded by the authorities as a cause for release.

The most hardened criminal, however, might be pardoned, to save his life. For instance, if an embezzler or a safe cracker had served within a year of his complete sentence, and then it seemed that longer imprisonment would kill him, whereas freedom might restore his health, the authorities would hesitate to exact the last iota of punishment, when it would result in taking years of freedom rightfully belonging to the prisoner.

Morse's case falls exactly within this class. Several months ago President Taft indicated that he would take up the matter of Morse's commutation a year from the coming January, and that he would commute the sentence to five years. This commutation, with good time and the six months Morse spent in the Tombs counted, would free Morse in January, 1913.

Consequently Morse technically stands in the class of prisoners whose terms have nearly expired. For this reason Taft has determined to free the banker as soon as it is certain that continued imprisonment would kill him, but the Administration is not yet convinced of this.

Morse has been removed to the army hospital at Fort McPherson in order that a new set of physicians might have a chance to study his condition. Taft has now called upon a board of outside physicians to examine Morse. When Taft acts, it will be on the findings of many doctors, friendly and impersonal toward the banker.

In the case of the prevalent prison disease, tuberculosis, it is not the practice of the Government to pardon victims when death is approaching. The Government, it is contended, in most cases is able to give consumptive prisoners better treatment than they could receive outside of prison.

## STRANGE DISEASE IN BERLIN.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—An epidemic of some strange, unknown disease has already claimed 50 lives in the Municipal Night Shelter and other asylums here. One hundred other cases are reported today. There is fear that the victims are suffering from cholera or the plague.

Several paupers have been taken violently ill on the streets and died within a few hours. The deaths were at first attributed to ptomaine poisoning caused by eating tainted herring, but it became known today that a large portion of the victims had not eaten fish. Physicians are unable to diagnose the illness at this time.

Victims of the mysterious disease are seized with violent fits of vomiting and expire in great agony.

Postmaster General Hitchcock today authorized postmaster Thomas E. Wallace, of Wilmington, N. C., to establish a temporary aeroplane post-office at the aviation meet to be given by managing director Fanciulli of the Curtis aeroplane squad on the sea shore near Wilmington next week.

## RUSSIA TO CRUSH PERSIA.

Twenty-thousand of the Czar's Troops Start on the War Path.

### EXCITEMENT AT WAR OFFICE.

Orders to Hang all Persians Who Participated in Attacks Upon Russians—Preparations For Extended Campaign.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—Twenty thousand troops of all arms were dispatched to Persia today. Orders were given to hang all Persians who had participated in attacks upon the Czar's soldiers. There is great excitement at the War Office and it is believed preparations are being made for an extended campaign in Persia.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

The ice shipped south from the Upper Lakes this winter will not cost more as the result of higher rates of the commodity which the Minneapolis, St. Paul and St. Marie railroads proposed to put into effect December 30. The Interstate Commerce Commission today suspended the proposed increase of 1-2 cent per 100 pounds to March 2, by which time the ice season will be over. The commission will conduct an investigation of the justice of the proposed rates.

Announcement was made at the White House this afternoon that President Taft had determined to follow up Senator LaFollette on a three or four days speechmaking trip through Ohio.

According to present plans, the president expects to speak at Cleveland on January 29, at Columbus on the 30th and at Akron on the 31st. Another date also is being considered to start on what is actually a campaign speech-making tour through Ohio, and what may later be extended to two or three more cities in the president's home state, was a complete surprise here.

The democratic House will take its time about tackling President Taft's ideas on a revision of the wool schedule. Chairman Underwood of the Ways and Means Committee declared today that probably the Steel, Chemical and Sugar schedules would be considered by the committee before Schedule K.

The plan as tentatively mapped out by Underwood today, is to begin the formulation in January of these three revisions of the Payne-Aldrich law, and to postpone consideration of lower wool duties until some time in February.

Underwood said that in general, the committee's steel revision bill would follow the duties decided upon at the last session, averaging reductions of from 30 to 10 per cent throughout the schedule.

Rev. G. J. S. Hunnicutt, printer and parson, now under attack from denominational clergyman for doing a wholesale marrying business without legal sanction to perform wedding ceremonies, figured as a witness in a police court today when half of one of the marrying parson's recent jobs, named John Walker, an attendant at the Government Hospital for the Insane, confessed that he had committed bigamy by the marriage. Mrs. Walker No. 2, was Miss Carrie Wilson, a nurse at the asylum.

Walker said he married Della Wright, daughter of a Newmarket, Va., merchant seven years ago and that she sued him for divorce last year. He thought the divorce had been granted, but since his recent marriage he has learned that no divorce was granted.

The torpedo boat Warrington is in distress fifteen miles northeast of Cape Hatteras, according to a wireless message received at the Navy Department today. The revenue cutter Onondago and the ocean cruiser Salem were instantly dispatched full steam from Hampton Roads to the rescue of the Warrington, which is bound from Charlestown to Norfolk. The sea is running high, though it is believed that other torpedo boats are standing by her, and she is in imminent danger.

Later in the afternoon the Navy Department received word that the Warrington was in no immediate danger, though her position, near the dangerous Diamond Shoals, was perilous, particularly in the heavy sea now running. The Warrington carries a crew of about 20 officers and men.

Did you lay in a supply of the gold seal rubbers or were you content with a pair of the Red Cross for ladies' or Hess or Regal Shoes for men. All sold by Marshall.